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Phelps' gold run up to six



Would-be rescuer hospitalized

DROWNING A man was in hospital yesterday after he and his brother attempted to save a 17-year-old girl who drowned in Chilliwack River, the man's aunt said.

The girl, whose name is not released, was on an inflatable boat with her friend Wednesday evening when she fell and became trapped beneath a log.

Brothers, David, 30, and Clayton Kellum, 25, of Chilliwack, were tubing nearby when she fell. They tried to free her but were forced to give up from exhaustion.

Her body was recovered from the river at around 7:30 p.m.

Linda Kellum, the men's aunt, said one of the brothers had to be hospitalized afterward.

"The guys are very caring," she said. "[David] has gone into emergency ... he wasn't feeling good ... I think from being under the water, banged up pretty bad from the log."

The girl's family expressed appreciation in a statement yesterday.

"For the two brothers, we would like to pour out our thanks ... for risking their lives," the family wrote. "We are sorry for them that their efforts were unable to save her."

JOYCE YIP/FOR METRO VANCOUVER

Celebrity page 30



Pam dating a sheik?



Performers throw their hands up while riding the PNE's wooden roller coaster yesterday. The annual summer fair opens its gates tomorrow with free admission until noon. More coverage, page 2.

Mom files complaint against H&M

ANDREA WOO
for Metro Vancouver

To calm her baby's incessant cries, Manuela Valle pulled the top of her shirt down and began breastfeeding the two-month-old yesterday.

Fittingly, she was sitting in the office of the Human Rights Tribunal, where she was filing a complaint against H&M for asking her to go into a fitting room while doing the same thing at their Downtown Vancouver store two weeks ago.

While the store has e-mailed Valle an apology, she said she's filing anyway based on principle.

"I'd like the general public to know that this is not something to be trivialized or minimized," said Valle, a PhD student in women's and gender studies at the University of B.C. "This is actually a case of sex dis-

crimination."

Valle said she doesn't want anyone to be fired over the incident; she just wants companies to be educated on human rights. She also said that the number of people who felt anger toward public breastfeeding surprised her.

"It's important to understand that even if everyone doesn't agree on this, it's a right that breastfeeding women need to have," she said.

Last Friday, supporters held a "nurse-in" at the store, where around 150 mothers breastfed their babies in solidarity.

H&M has maintained that women have always been able to breastfeed at their stores and that the room was only offered to make Valle more comfortable.

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Bill Clinton to speak at forum

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BUSINESS CONFERENCE Bill Clinton will be returning to Vancouver in October.

The former U.S. president will be the keynote speaker at the Business Council of B.C.'s one-day conference, Investing Today for Tomorrow: Corporate Responsibility in B.C. on October 17.

Clinton will be speaking alongside Vancouver mining financier Frank Gius-

tra about corporate responsibilities and initiatives to build sustainable economies in developing countries.

"Working with Frank and other B.C. business leaders, I'm always impressed by their willingness to roll up their sleeves and tackle important issues," he said in a statement.

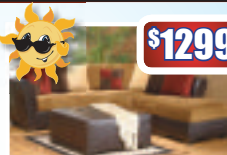
Clinton was in town in November speaking at the Vancouver Board of Trade's Pacific Economic Forum.



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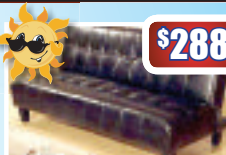
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The PNE's annual charity egg auction, which raises money for the B.C. Youth in Agriculture Foundation, raises between \$35,000 and \$40,000 annually. **METRO VANCOUVER**

Local



Crooner a PNE talent show competitor

Crooner Michael Bublé, left, and Lisa Brokop are among past PNE talent show competitors. The Red Robinson Talent Showdown continues the talent discovery contest and features a \$10,000 grand prize. **METRO VANCOUVER**

17 days of ooh, ahh and wow

But PNE's feast of music, rides and exhibits is free today only

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It's one of Vancouver's most anticipated summer events and tomorrow admission at the fair at the PNE, which opens its 2008 season at 9 a.m., will be free.

Patrick Roberge, PNE creative director, said there

are more than 700 exhibits, shows and attractions as part of the fair's 17 days.

One new event is The Jungle Book, an interactive theatre in the park-style show based on Rudyard Kipling's classic tale.

"We're going to invite audiences right here in the Italian Gardens to move along with the performers," said Roberge. "We wanted to give fairgoers something a little different."

The show, which features a troupe of local actors from Musical Theatre-Works, will be performed twice a day.

Logger sports are also back at the fair after a 10-year hiatus, with the West Coast Lumberjack Show.

Four lumberjacks will compete daily to out-climb, out-saw, out-chop and out-throw each other in logrolling, axe throwing, tree climbing, chopping and sawing competitions.

Returning attractions include the Peking Acrobats, who perform wire-walking, trick cycling, precision



TOP: Thespians get acrobatic with Rudyard Kipling's The Jungle Book in the Italian Gardens at the PNE with twice-daily live performances. ABOVE: The Peking Acrobats return for a second year at the PNE with a brand new show. The act combines trick-cycling, contortion, tumbling and juggling. Shows run four times daily in the Family Theatre. RIGHT: The Lumberjack Show returns to the PNE after a 10-year hiatus.

tumbling and other gravity-defying stunts four times daily.

There will also be the annual International Sand Sculpture Competition, the

Safeway Farm Country agricultural show, Iams Superdogs, pig races and the daily finale, the fair's pyromusical show, Rollin' Thunder.



Oh ya, and there's also lots of rides.

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17 nights of live music

LINEUP If you're into outdoor concerts but are counting your pennies, the PNE is offering 17 nights of live music, all free with park admission. The Summer Nights Concert Series kicks off tomorrow with Canadian rock band Trooper at 7:30 p.m. at the Amphitheatre stage.

Other acts include:

- Billy Ray Cyrus, Aug. 17
- The Bacon Brothers (with Kevin Bacon), Aug. 18
- Sass Jordan, Aug. 22
- Glass Tiger, Aug. 23
- Vanessa Hudgens, Aug. 24
- Air Supply, Aug. 26
- 54-40, Aug. 29
- Chilliwick, Aug. 30
- Spirit Of The West, Sept. 1

Vanessa Hudgens

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What's online today.

Watch video from the funeral of the Montreal teen shot and killed by police, and a story on an Alberta student who discovered a link between MSG and Alzheimers

Read Marty York's CFL Report for a look at Blue Bombers coach Doug Berry's uncertain future and game predictions

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Supreme Court opens door for slots in Hastings Park

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The fight to keep slot machines out of Hastings Park has come to an end with the Supreme Court of Canada's refusal yesterday to hear the case of those opposed to the machines.

Adding insult to injury, the machines are now available to the public with the opening of the park's new entertainment and gaming facility this morning.

The 42,000 square-foot facility, which is part of a \$40-million upgrade to the racecourse facility, features a gaming floor with 600 slot machines.

This is up from the 150 that had been installed earlier in the year.

The Hastings Park Conservancy, led by David Bornman, had been fighting the city for four years to keep those slots out of the park.

But Howard Blank, vice-president, Media, Entertainment and Responsible Gaming, Great Canadian Gaming Corporation, said the facility will breathe



Joan Martin, a production assistant with Sport of Kings, tries out the slot machines at Hastings Racecourse yesterday. The new \$40-million expansion opens today.

new life into the city's fading horse racing industry.

"It's a catalyst to improving horse racing," he said. "Many of the great horses

and trainers ... in the industry left B.C. because the purses have shrunk.

"Having slots increases ... the prize pool, which al-

lows people (in the industry) to come back. Otherwise we might not have seen thoroughbred racing in the future."

More affordable housing units

NON-PROFIT The city has purchased another building to be used for social housing.

Mayor Sam Sullivan and Coun. Kim Capri announced yesterday Vancouver has acquired the building at 514 Alexander St. and will lease it to the Lookout Emergency Aid Society for the next 45 years.

The building has 20 single-room-occupancy units. The pre-paid rate of rent Lookout will pay is approximately \$460,000.

Lookout is a non-profit or-

ganization that provides support for those with mental illness, substance abuse, physical disabilities and more.

Vancouver recently approved 12 city-owned sites to be developed into about 1,200 units of social housing.

Sullivan said this is in addition to the various initiatives implemented over the past two years through Project Civil City.

Additional announcements are expected in the coming weeks.

News in brief

BEAVERS Surrey is moving problem beavers rather than killing them, news1130.com reports. The provincial government had not previously allowed moving them because of concerns over proper relocation. Surrey is now using consultants to help locate the proper environmental areas.

INFESTATION TransLink has hired exterminators to deal with a rat problem around Broadway SkyTrain station after receiving complaints from

commuters, CBC News Online reports. The exterminators have set out traps and poison.

ARREST Richmond RCMP have arrested two men who were allegedly trying to escape from police with a woman who fell to her death from a fifth floor balcony in May. Brett Marshall and Justin Hart, both 25, and the 22-year-old woman, were trying to scale the outside of the building to get away from the officers. **METRO NEWS SERVICES**

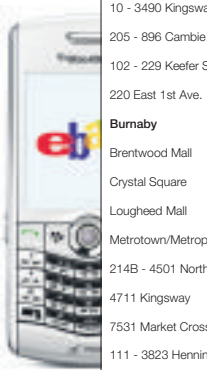
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Hundreds of runners will be baring themselves in varying degrees of undress in Vancouver on Sunday for a five-kilometre race. The Wreck Beach Bare Buns Run/Walk raises money for the Wreck Beach Preservation Society. **METRO VANCOUVER**

News in brief

TOXIC A Hazmat call shut down Oak Street between 41st and 46th Avenues yesterday afternoon, news1130.com

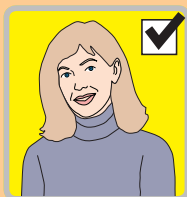
reports. A garbage truck driver needed medical attention after reporting a strange odour coming off a load from a hospital.

FIRE A Burnaby childcare centre near Kingsway and Royal Oak was on fire yesterday afternoon, news1130.com reports.

Firefighters were on scene and reported children and workers were safely evacuated from the building. **METRO NEWS SERVICES**

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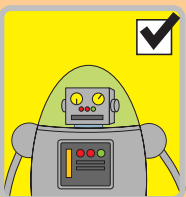
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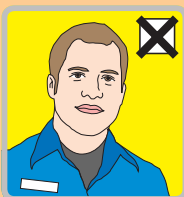
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Show N' Shine the green bikes

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exhibits

The image of a chortling softtail buzzing through traffic doesn't scream 'green,' but organizers of Sunday's Gastown Motorcycle Show N' Shine believe it should.

Motorcycles are the solution to high gas prices and environmental problems, said Adele Tompkins, Executive Director of the B.C. Coalition of Motorcyclists. "As everything is becoming

More than 250 motorcycles — choppers, cruisers, vintage bikes, sport bikes — will be on display.

ing more congested, we should take a proactive response," she said. "Motorcycles reduce greenhouse gases, and they definitely use way less fuel."

Vancouver's largest free motorcycle event takes place Sunday in Gastown from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Langley shooting victim in stable condition: Police

CRIME A man is in stable condition after a suspicious shooting in Aldergrove, Langley police said yesterday.

Late Wednesday night, the 20-year-old, whose name is not being released, was shot on the 27,200 block of Fraser Highway. The

man was found near a convenience store with minor gunshot wounds to his chest.

"[The man] has not identified his attacker, so no suspect has yet surfaced in the investigation," said RCMP Sgt. Don Davidson. **METRO VANCOUVER**

Barnes takes after her father

POLITICS The daughter of late NDP MLA (and B.C. Lion) Emery Barnes is entering politics.

Community activist Constance Barnes announced yesterday that she would be seeking a Vision Vancouver nomination for Park Board in November's civic election.

Emery Barnes played two games for the NFL's Green Bay Packers before coming to Vancouver in 1962 and playing three seasons with the Lions. He was first elected to the legislature in 1972 and was re-elected four times. He died in 1998.

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Mother, son in serious condition

ACCIDENT A mother and her infant son are in hospital in serious condition following an early morning collision in Abbotsford yesterday involving a Volvo and a five-tonne truck.

A 35-year-old woman was airlifted to Royal Columbian Hospital. Her 17-month-old son was taken to B.C. Children's Hospital

in Vancouver. Collision reconstruction officers believe the woman was attempting to turn left at the intersection of Mt. Lehman and Simpson roads when her Volvo

was struck by a five-tonne flat-deck truck. The cause of the crash has yet to be determined.

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Two cases of West Nile virus in humans have been reported in Manitoba. A Winnipeg man in his 50s has tested positive for the virus. The second, out-of-province person is believed to have visited western Manitoba and caught the virus there. **CBC NEWS ONLINE**

Canada



Rowdy flyer charged

A B.C. man has been accused of causing a disturbance on a WestJet flight from Vancouver to Winnipeg on Wednesday. Winnipeg police allege the "agitated, irritable" man yelled at passengers and flight attendants, and caused damage to the plane's overhead panels during the flight. **CBC NEWS ONLINE**

Tribute paid to aid workers

OTTAWA International Co-operation Minister Bev Oda gave her condolences to the families of the two Canadian humanitarian workers gunned down Wednesday in a Taliban ambush in Afghanistan.

Foreign aid workers regularly "demonstrate the strength of their courage and their compassion" on missions such as the one Jacqueline Kirk and Shirley Case were deployed to in the war-torn country.

British-Canadian Kirk, 40, from Montreal, and Case, 30, of 100 Mile House, B.C., were killed when Taliban fighters shot at their vehicle south of Kabul. Trinidadian-U.S. citizen Nicole Dial, 32, and 25-year-old driver Moham-

"They demonstrate the strength of their courage and their compassion."

mad Aimal also died in the attack. All three women were working for New York-based International Rescue Committee.

"All members of government recognize the sacrifice that has been given," the minister said.

Oda said many countries are increasingly concerned about the safety of aid workers in warzones, and noted that aid groups are required to share safety and security plans with Canadian officials.

TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

Montreal Slain youth mourned



More than 300 people gathered yesterday to pay their last respects to Fredy Villanueva, 18, who was shot and killed by Montreal police last week. Video online at metronews.ca.

Russians in 'Soviet-era'

OTTAWA Russia's military intrusion into Georgia reflects a "Soviet-era mentality" that is deeply troubling, Prime Minister Stephen Harper said yesterday as he urged Moscow to withdraw.

"I am deeply troubled by a notion ... that Russia somehow has a say or some control over countries outside of its borders. In my judgment this is a very worrisome development," Harper said.

"It really indicates a Soviet-era mentality and I think it is something that all democratic countries should speak out strongly against and I hope Russia will reconsider its actions," Harper said.

Russian troops have occupied parts of Georgia since repelling a Georgian attack last week on South Ossetia. **REUTERS**

News in brief

OTTAWA Prime Minister Stephen Harper suggested yesterday he may have to force the dissolution of Parliament and trigger an election. He complained about legislation being stalled in the Liberal-dominated Senate and obstructed in the House of Commons.

TORONTO Asbestos worries continue in the neighbourhood near last week's propane blast. Authorities had allowed some families to return home and some daycares and community centres to re-open, only to reclose them after asbestos was discovered. Residents want to know what danger they're in.

OTTAWA Unsuccessful Conservative election candidate Sam Goldstein disrupted yesterday's ethics committee session on an election ad scandal, saying he was being denied the right to speak — but it wasn't Sam Goldstein's day to testify before the committee. **METRO NEWS SERVICES**



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World/Business

Bombing suits settled by Libya, U.S.

COMPENSATION Libya and the United States signed a deal yesterday to compensate all U.S. and Libyan victims of bombings or their relatives, clearing the way for the former foes to improve faltering ties.

U.S. victims covered include those who died in the 1988 bombing of Pan Am Flight 103 over Lockerbie, Scotland, that killed 270 people and the 1986 attack on a Berlin disco that killed three people and wounded 229, Libyan officials said.

It also covers Libyans killed in 1986 when U.S. planes bombed Tripoli and Benghazi. Forty people died.

REUTERS

Clinton's name to be put forward as candidate

CONVENTION Hillary Clinton will be symbolically put forward as a presidential candidate at the Democratic convention this month in Denver, even though she lost the nominating battle to Barack Obama.

Obama insisted that Clinton's name be placed in nomination, the campaigns said in a joint statement.

The Obama campaign hopes the move will dispel any lingering tensions between the supporters of the former rivals.

REUTERS

Rebel states push for independence

Georgia's Russia-backed rebel regions toughened their push for independence yesterday, ruling out talks with Tbilisi following a week-long conflict between Russia and Georgia.

Eduard Kokoity and Sergei Bagapsh, self-styled presidents of South Ossetia and Abkhazia, flew to Moscow in a surprise visit to thank the Kremlin for its support during the con-

Uncanny guess

• Geoff Smith, a Kiev-based analyst for Renaissance Capital investment bank, anticipated the Georgian move with uncanny prescience in an e-mail two days earlier to a fellow strategist.

flict and seek Moscow's guarantees in their drive for independence.

"Before Georgia's aggression, talks with Georgia were possible ... but now there will be no talks with Georgia," Bagapsh said after talks with Russian President Dmitry Medvedev.

Earlier at the Kremlin, Medvedev said Russia supported the two regions' position in talks on their future status, but did not explicitly say Russia would recognize their independence.

REUTERS

Trafficking Shriver takes stage at L.A. discussion



Maria Shriver, first lady of California, speaks at a discussion titled Human Trafficking: A Unified Call to Action, as Lourdes Laborin, first lady of Sonora Mexico, listens at the Border Governors Conference in Los Angeles yesterday.

Business

Vancouver housing prices drop one per cent

ECONOMY Canadian average home prices have fallen for the second straight month in a row, raising concern by economists that the housing market may have been caught in the undertow of a U.S. based recession.

Home prices nationally fell by a significant 3.6 per cent to \$327,020, from year ago levels in July, according to figures released by the Canadian Real Estate Association yesterday.

In June, prices fell by 0.4 per cent, the first time the market recorded a decrease in nearly a decade. "We had a small drop the month before, but this looks like the real thing."

We hope it's not the beginning of an accelerating trend," said TD Securities Economics Strategist Milan Mulraine.

The bulk of the declines were in the western provinces, with cities such as Calgary down by 7.8 per cent and Edmonton by 5.3 per cent. The previously unassailable Vancouver market saw a one per cent drop, all helping to bring the national average down.

A drop in prices is typically preceded by a fall in sales. In this case, sales volume in cities such as Vancouver were down by a mammoth 44 per cent, and Calgary by 13 per cent.

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Flyers, coach agree on extension
The Philadelphia Flyers reached an agreement with head coach John Stevens on a two-year contract extension yesterday. Since his hiring on October 22, 2006, the Campbellton, N.B., native has compiled a 63-71-22 mark in 156 games. **METRO NEWS SERVICES**

Sports



Roy's surgery successful

Portland Trail Blazers guard Brandon Roy, left, underwent successful arthroscopic surgery yesterday to repair a meniscus tear in his left knee. The All-Star from the University of Washington learned of the injury following an MRI on Tuesday and is expected to be sidelined four-to-eight weeks.

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Bills hold on for win in Toronto

NFL Pittsburgh's Dennis Dixon ran for a 47-yard touchdown with just over four minutes left last night, but the Steelers couldn't complete the comeback last night in Toronto as Buffalo held on for a 24-21 pre-season win in front of 48,434 Rogers Centre fans.

Trent Edwards was an efficient 9-of-11 for 104 yards and two touchdowns, the first a seven-yard toss in a crowded space to tight end Robert Royal to open the scoring. **METRO NEWS SERVICES**

Ochoa tops at Open

Defending champion Lorena Ochoa birdied her final hole for a 6-under-par 66 and took a one-stroke lead over world No. 2 Annika Sorenstam yesterday in the first round of the 2008 CN Canadian Women's Open at the Ottawa Hunt and Gold Club.

Sorenstam won the inaugural CN Canadian Women's Open in 2001 at Angus Glen Golf Club in Markham, Ont., but has not made it back to Canada to defend her title, as the annual contest has overlapped the Ladies European Tour's Scandinavian TPC, an event where Sorenstam plays host.

Alena Sharp carded a 1-under-par 71 to emerge as the frontrunner in a pack of 16 Canadians in this week's field.

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Paula Creamer, former LPGA Rookie of the Year, shot a 1-under 71 at the CN Canadian Women's Open yesterday, and sits four strokes off the lead heading into the second round.

B.C. Sports in brief

NHL JP Barry, the agent for both Daniel and Henrik Sedin, says he has barely spoken to Canucks' GM Mike Gillis about a contract extension for the twins. Vancouver has until July 1, 2009 to resign the Sedins before they become unrestricted free agents, but the price tag may be high. During an interview on the TEAM 1040, Barry referenced Scott Gomez and Chris Drury, who both make more than \$7 million per sea-

son despite having fewer points than either Sedin over the past couple of years.

NHL In addition to 45 regional telecasts on Rogers Sportsnet, the Canucks will be featured 25 times on national television this season. CBC's Hockey Night in Canada will carry 15 Canucks' games in 2008-09, while TSN has picked up 10 Canucks' contests.

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Milwaukee 2 San Diego 3
Cincinnati 3 Pittsburgh 1
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N.Y. Mets 9 Washington 3
St. Louis 3 Florida 0

L.A. Dodgers 3 Philadelphia 1

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Baltimore at Detroit, 4:05
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L.A. Angels at Cleveland, 4:05
Tampa Bay at Texas, 5:05
Seattle at Minnesota, 5:10
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NATIONAL LEAGUE
N.Y. Mets at Pittsburgh, 4:05
Chicago Cubs at Florida, 4:10
St. Louis at Cincinnati, 4:10
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Colorado at Washington, 4:35
Arizona at Houston, 5:05

Philadelphia at San Diego, 7:05

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Toronto's Ashley Holzer placed 19th in the individual dressage competition yesterday with a score of 67.042 to qualify for the next round. No other Canadians moved on. **METRO NEWS SERVICES**

Beijing Games

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Pierce breaks Canadian mark

SWIMMING Edmonton's Annamay Pierce broke the Canadian record in the women's 200-metre breaststroke final early this morning in Beijing, but finished sixth.

American Rebecca Soni broke the world record en route to an upset of Australia's Leisel Jones for the gold, with Norway's Sara Nordenstam taking bronze. **METRO NEWS SERVICES**

Medal count

Rank	Nation	Gold	Silver	Bronze	Total
#1	China	22	8	5	35
#2	U.S.	10	9	15	34
#3	South Korea	6	7	3	16
#4	Australia	5	4	7	16
#5	France	2	8	5	15
#6	Russia	3	8	3	14
#7	Italy	6	4	3	13
#8	Germany	7	2	3	12
#9	Japan	5	3	3	11
	Canada	0	0	0	0

(Count at the end of Day 6)

Sizzling sixth gold for phenom Phelps

American just one short of Spitz's mark

Michael Phelps moved within reach of his goal of winning eight gold medals at the Beijing Olympics when he won his sixth early this morning with another world record, his sixth in a week.

The seemingly-invincible American stormed to victory in the 200-metre individual medley final, equalling his golden haul from Athens four years ago and leaving him just one short of matching Mark Spitz's record of seven golds in Munich in 1972.

Phelps led all the way to touch the wall first in one minute 54.23 seconds, 0.57

inside his previous record of 1:54.80 set at last month's U.S. Olympic trials, beating Hungary's Laszlo Cseh and teammate Ryan Lochte.

Keith Beavers of Orangeville, Ont., placed seventh in a time of 1:59.43.

The 23-year-old Phelps had earlier won the 400 individual medley, 4x100 freestyle relay, 200 freestyle, 4x200 freestyle relay and 200 butterfly.

"I just wanted to step on it in the first 50 a little bit and try and get out to an early lead," said Phelps. "I knew in the first half if I got a big enough lead I thought I

could hang on and that's all I wanted to do."

Cseh won his third silver medal behind Phelps this week, while Lochte grabbed the bronze despite diving back into the pool half an hour after he broke the 200-metre backstroke world record to win his first individual gold.

Lochte wiped 0.38 off the record he shared with his teammate Aaron Peirsol when he surged away on the last length to win in 1:53.94. Peirsol held on for the silver while the bronze went to Russian Arkady Vyatchanin.

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Michael Phelps of the U.S. set his sixth world record at the Beijing Games early this morning in the men's 200-metre individual medley final at the National Aquatics Centre.



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Wrestling

Swedish 84-kg wrestler Ara Abrahamian took off his greco-roman bronze medal on the podium and threw it down in protest yesterday after his bid for Olympic gold was ended by a decision denounced by the Swedish coach as "politics". **REUTERS**

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Beijing Games

Bling-bling is the thing

Expert believes cash would help Canada reach podium

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So the question, essentially, is whether Ontario Mike Brown would not have fallen 9/100ths of a second short of a bronze medal at the Olympics had he received more funding for training before splashing into the pool in Beijing?

The answer, essentially, is: Who knows?

Jane Roos believes she does. The founder a decade ago of a charity devoted to raising funds for Canada's Olympians — check out www.canadianathletes-now.ca — Roos knows what our athletes have done behind the scenes to make ends meet and pursue their dreams simultaneously. She knows how they train. And

strain. And drain their brains.

And she insists that, under the circumstances, they're faring well in China. Medals or not.

"Considering their lack of financial support," she says, "they're doing great."

"Take Mike Brown. He finished fourth (in the 200-metre breaststroke). Many of us couldn't finish fourth in anything on our street, let alone in world-class swimming. Mike sent me an email right after the race. He basically told me he was proud and sad at the same time. But there's no way he should be sad."

And he wouldn't be, Roos reckons, if he'd received more money for pre-Olympic training.

"I think a more elite training system would have enabled Mike to win a medal," Roos says. "Very few of our athletes can train as, say, the Americans do. In Canada, athletes get some funding from the govern-

ment, about \$1,500 a year. And then our organization raises enough to give athletes \$12,000 a year. We've raised \$7-million for them in 10 years. We're proud of that, but it's not enough. Nobody wants to hear our athletes complain, but they're unable to legitimately compete against the Americans, who get millions and millions from private corporations. Canadian corporations say in expensive commercials they take care of our athletes, but do they?"

"Our corporations can do much better. So could our government."

Canadians such as Toronto businessman Jeff Fricketch argue against tax dollars for Olympians.

"Why care about how many medals Canada wins?" he asked in an email

he sent me yesterday. "Lack of funding hampers our athletes. So should we spend hundreds of millions so we can win a medal in field hockey? Badminton? Synchronized diving? Please. We have some real problems in this country that need the money."

Roos agrees, but only partly. "We have problems, yes," she says, "but Canada has enough resources to address them and also help our athletes. We need excellence on a world stage. We get depressed when we don't win medals and we need to focus on making dreams come true."

The debate, of course, shall continue.

Marty York has been a groundbreaking sports columnist and broadcaster in Canada for decades.

Federer, Williamses bounced in Beijing

TENNIS Three of the biggest names in tennis, Roger Federer and sisters Venus and Serena Williams, crashed out at the quarter-final stage of the Olympics in a night of shocks yesterday.

Federer's nightmare year plumbed new depths when he lost to American James Blake, a player he had beaten in all eight of their previous meetings.

The Swiss top seed's game went totally haywire against Blake and he lost 6-4, 7-6.

"I always believed in myself," said Blake, now just one victory away from a guaranteed medal.

With news of Federer's shock defeat reverberating around the stadium, Serena Williams became the second of the night's big casualties when she lost to Russian fifth seed Elena Dementieva 3-6, 6-4, 6-3.

Home favourite Li Na then stole the show, out-hitting double Olympic champion Venus Williams in a sensational 7-5, 7-5 victory. Blake now plays Fer-



Li Na of China celebrates after defeating Venus Williams of the U.S. 7-5, 7-5 in their quarter-final yesterday in Beijing.

nando Gonzalez of Chile, who beat France's Paul-Henri Mathieu 6-4, 6-4.

Second seed Rafael Nadal thrashed Austria's Jurgen Melzer 6-0, 6-4 to set up a semifinal with Serbian third seed Novak Djokovic who beat Frenchman Gael Monfils 4-6, 6-1, 6-4.

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Team USA's Carlos Boozer shoots as Ioannis Bourousis, left, and Dimitrios Diamantidis defend yesterday in Olympic basketball action. Boozer had four points in just over five minutes of play.

Dream Team gets revenge on Greece

BASKETBALL The United States men's team booked a quarter-final place in the Olympic men's basketball competition yesterday with a 92-69 win over Greece featuring a dizzying array of acrobatic dunks from Kobe Bryant and LeBron James.

Bryant scored 18 points, while James chipped in with 13 as the American "Dream Team" gained a measure of revenge for a semifinal defeat by the Greeks in the 2006 world championships.

"We're 10 times better than we were in '06," James said. "We don't have weakness but we know if we don't come out with intensity and play how we know we can play we can lose."

A chest-thumping Yao Ming relentlessly powered hosts China to their first victory in the tournament

yesterday.

Screaming constantly at his teammates to get him the ball, China's giant centre scored 30 points in a 85-68 Group B triumph over Angola to boost their hopes of advancing.

"I think that's our chemistry," said Yao. "It feels great to win at the Olympics. It's a totally different feeling to win on your home court but we still have a long road to go."

World champions Spain secured their place in the quarter-finals with a 72-59 Group B victory over Germany helped by 15 points from Toronto Raptors point guard Jose Calderon.

Lithuania upset European champions Russia, the three-time Olympic bronze medallists, winning 86-79 in Group A to book their spot in the last eight and leave the Russians at 1-2.

REUTERS

Sports in brief

DOPING North Korean shooting silver medallist Kim Jong-su has tested positive for a banned substance and been excluded from the Beijing Olympic Games, the International Olympic Committee spokeswoman said early this morning. A Vietnamese artistic gymnast, who finished out of the medals, has also tested positive for a banned substance, she said.

BASEBALL Cuban bats were booming on a stormy day at the Olympic baseball tournament, Alexander Malleta and

Alfredo Despaigne smacking two-run homers to lift the defending gold medallists to a 7-6 win over Canada yesterday.

ATHLETICS World record holder Usain Bolt barely broke sweat despite sweltering temperatures to cruise through the Olympic 100 metres heats along with compatriot Asafa Powell and world champion Tyson Gay early this morning in Beijing. Jamaican Bolt won his heat in 10.20 seconds, while Powell ran 10.16 and American Gay in 10.22.

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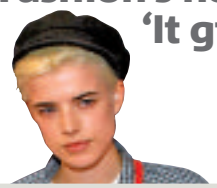
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Actress Penelope Cruz, left, and actress Scarlett Johansson star in Woody Allen's latest film *Vicky Cristina Barcelona*, which has the energy, vitality, and themes of a young filmmaker trying to make a name for himself, our reviewer writes.

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Anakin Skywalker and his new padawan, Ahsoka, join forces in Star Wars: The Clone Wars.

Just a Star Wars clone

STEVE GOW
for Metro Canada

Star Wars: The Clone Wars

Director: Dave Filoni

Stars: Matt Lanter,

Ashley Eckstein

Classification: PG

Rating: ●●

REVIEW In my humble opinion, we need another Star Wars movie like Jabba the Hutt's waistline needs another Klatooine paddy frog. If you understood that reference, chances are you don't agree with me and in fact, you're probably quite giddy to see Star Wars: The Clone Wars.

Set sometime between Episode II and III, The Clone Wars sticks Anakin Skywalker, Obi-Wan Kenobi and Yoda in the middle of an intergalactic civil war between the good clones and the evil Imperial droids.

There, Skywalker is

paired up with a wiry, young Jedi apprentice named Ahsoka Tano and the duo must rescue Jabba the Hutt's slimy little kidnapped son.

In reality, this movie kicks-off a new animated series of the same name, and although it makes a great way to launch a TV show, it also highlights where this film truly belongs.

Sure, it's an interesting combination of traditional

animation, CGI and anime (specifically during battle scenes), but the story itself is about as compelling as watching somebody play a videogame for 90 minutes.

Difficult to follow at first, the movie is also hampered by flat, uninspired dialogue.

Worse yet, unable to recruit most of the actors from the films, producers were left with cheap vocal substitutes that seemingly stand to set the film up to be what it is: an imitation of the real thing.

When it seems a legacy like Star Wars would be so unimpeachable, it makes you wonder why George Lucas would allow such a (pardon the pun) clone in to the world.

Bottle Shock mere happy pap

ADAM NAYMAN
for Metro Canada

REVIEW Aside from a scene in which an anxious Bill Pullman obliterates the top of a bottle of wine with a samurai sword (his kingdom for a corkscrew!) there are no surprises in Bottle Shock.

This is partially because its story — about a group of affable, flannel-clad Napa Valley winemakers who turn the industry on its snooty French nose by producing a top-shelf Chardonnay — is based in fact: in 1973, the California-based Chateau Montelana won a French tasting contest and made the marketplace safe for American pinot.

It's also because director Randall Miller never met a reaction shot or an overbearing music cue that he couldn't use: Bottle Shock is perfectly content to be pap.

The material is interesting — especially after Jonathan Nossiter's epic wine doc Mondovino, which surveyed the fallout



Alan Rickman, centre, stars in Bottle Shock.

Bottle Shock

Director: Randall Miller

Stars: Alan Rickman, Bill Pullman

Classification: PG

Rating: ●●

of the U.S. becoming a wine power — but the details are hackneyed.

We get a perfectionist vintner father (Pullman) who tries to straighten out his layabout son (Chris Pine); an attractive blonde intern (Rachael Taylor) splits her affections between said handsome layabout and his golden-

palated, fetchingly dorky Latino pal (Freddy Rodriguez); meanwhile, a sassy local barmaid (Eliza Dushku) doles out wisdom and dues ex machinas.

The only performer to rise above the dully crowd-pleasing atmosphere is Alan Rickman as the Paris wine shop owner who puts the tasting contest in motion.

It's amusing to watch this impeccable actor play something of a sad sack, and a quick bit where he battles with a bothersome restaurant door is a master-class of strenuously maintained dignity.



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Movie morsels

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REVIEW Ben Stiller leads the all-star cast of Jack Black, Robert Downey Jr. and even Tom Cruise (in a surprising role that's sure to relieve those who thought he'd all but beamed up to Planet Thetan) in this spoof of Hollywood egos and icons.

Stiller plays Tugg Speedman, a fleeting action star leading the cast of a fictional war film being shot in Southeast Asia.

After the movie goes over budget, the actors are sent into the jungle to capture "real fear in their eyes."

Instead, the gang loses their director, get lost themselves and fall prey to real terrorists.

The twist: They're convinced it's all part of the movie.

It's a great premise and one that doesn't let down with its cast.

Steve Gow/Metro Canada

Fun Bunny: Faris a Playmate

STEVE GOW
for Metro Canada

For most serious thespians, playing a bubble-headed nudie model whose greatest aspiration is to become a Playboy Playmate is probably not high on their to-do list. Anna Faris however, is not your average thespian.

Blasting onto the Hollywood scene in 2000 with her ditzzy lead role in Scary Movie, Faris has slowly gained notoriety playing "the wacky blonde" in shticky comedies like The Hot Chick and Just Friends.

"I wasn't getting the chance to play the roles I really wanted to," Faris revealed recently in L.A. while promoting The House Bunny (opening next Friday).

"This felt like, oh, so maybe I can do this and maybe I can continue to do this, which would be amazing."

What she's referring to likely doesn't have so much to do with playing a



Anna Faris stars in The House Bunny, which opens next Friday.

scantily-clad model as it does with getting a movie made in the dog-eat-dog world of Hollywood.

See, Faris not only stars in The House Bunny, but she's an executive producer on the film having conceived the idea about a Playmate who gets kicked out of living in Hugh Hefner's mansion because of her age.

Desperate for shelter, she ends up a housemother to a nerdy group of sorority girls.

"I think that it's more about finding her family and that she realizes that she doesn't belong in that

world anymore," says Faris about the Playboy aspirations in the story.

"(But I also) don't think it's necessarily a judgment against that world."

Co-star Emma Stone would agree. In fact, she insists that Faris is the root of the movie's honesty.

"What Anna brought to the role was someone (our characters) could relate to from the outside," admits the young actress.

"It was so important that someone like Anna, or just Anna, played this role because her likeability and her heart shines through the whole thing."

For Allen, Death Race role a long way from Pat Nixon

STEVE GOW
for Metro Canada

Joan Allen has been accused of witchcraft in The Crucible and played a vice-presidential nominee in The Contender.

She's even been the wife of a U.S. president in Nixon. Of all things she's been though, the mastermind of a car rally to the death is not one of them.

In Death Race (opening next Friday), the Oscar-nominated actress plays an evil prison warden who sends inmates out to the track to race for their freedom. Muscle cars are loaded with machine guns



Joan Allen

to help eliminate competitors. It's not what you'd expect from the lady who played Pat Nixon.

"I loved Road Warrior, and I thought if this film did what Road Warrior did, I would be thrilled to be part of something like that," Allen enthusiastically said during a recent interview in San Diego.

Seeing Allen play such a diabolical character will not only be a new experience for fans, but it was also a departure for Allen. As much as she enjoys making dramas, she's unsure why it's difficult to land more action-oriented parts.

"I think it's difficult for Hollywood to take too big a risk on things because it's not easy to raise money and make films."

"It's more comforting to know, 'Oh, that actor can do this and we know they can do it,'" adds Allen. "So I felt like they did take a bit of a chance with me on this and I'm grateful for it."

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Hellboy II: The Golden Army (14A) Fri-Thu 1:50-4:45-7:30-10:20

Man on Wire (PG) No Passes Fri-Tue 3:05-7:50

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The Rocker (PG) No Passes Wed-Thu 12:10-2:40-5:15-7:45-10:35

Sex and the City (18A) Fri-Thu 3:55-9:50

The Sisterhood of the Traveling Pants 2 (PG) No Passes Fri-Tue 1:15-4:10-7:10-9:55 Wed-Thu 1:15-4:10-7:10-9:55

Step Brothers (14A) Fri-Thu 12:30-2:50-5:30-8-9:45-10:30

Vicky Cristina Barcelona (PG) No Passes Fri-Thu 12:20-2:45-5:10-7:35-10

WALL-E (G) Fri-Thu 1:55-4:35-7:15

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The Sisterhood of the Traveling Pants 2 (PG) No Passes Fri-Thu 1:30-4:10-6:50-9:50

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In 2000, David Bowie and Iman welcomed their first child, Alexandria Zahra Jones, into the world. A statement at the time reports that Bowie is involved in the delivery process and even cuts the umbilical cord. **METRO NEWS SERVICES**

Music

The future of rock in China

On the immigration card you're given just before you land in Beijing, you're asked about your health. "Are you moment experiencing any of the following conditions: Coughing, fever, nausea, headaches, sweats, sneezing or snivelling?" (Snivelling? What does that even mean?)

The card also warns you of the penalties for transporting any unauthorized material into the country.

One can assume this means any form of media that may be considered to have a corrupting influence on the culture of China. Pornography, for example, is forbidden. So is anything that might cause offense to the government. Which brings me to music.

Tens of thousands of Westerners are visiting China for the Olympics. Millions more will be lured later after this giant coming-out party winds down. I'm willing to bet that the Beijing rock scene will benefit greatly.

Although Chinese rock stars do exist — my favourite is Cui Jian, the anointed Father of Chinese Rock, whose song, I Have Nothing/Nothing to My Name, was an unofficial anthem of the Tiananmen Square uprising — they're almost completely unknown outside the country.

There are many flavours of zhōngguó yáo n — Chinese rock — as there are in the West: punk, extreme metal, Goth, alt-rock, hip-hop, electronica. Music-minded visitors looking for local colour will no doubt find Beijing clubs like MAO Live House, D-22 and Yugong

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Yishan, where they'll find music that could only be made by people exploding after generations of oppression and authoritarian rule.

Maybe someone will get discovered. Some people are betting on Joyslide, a group from north of Beijing who have released albums with titles like Drunk is Beautiful and Everything Sucks.

Or maybe zhōngguó yáo n has something to teach us. Because pirates and counterfeiters destroyed all semblance of a Western-style music industry years ago, some music industry experts are looking at China for clues on how they can adapt to the new realities they face at home. If you can't sell CDs, how can you make a living? This year's Music Matters Asia, the annual Asia-Pacific music forum in Hong Kong was the biggest yet, and featured speakers like U2 manager Paul McGuinness and Terry McBride of Canada's Nettwerk Records.

No one knows what long-term effects the Olympics will have on China, but I have a feeling that music is going to be involved somewhere along the way.

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Liars open for Radiohead at a sold-out show at the Thunderbird Stadium at UBC August 19.

Liars let 'er rip on latest album

Singer switches gears to channel Guns N' Roses

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For his latest album, *Liars'* vocalist Angus Andrew unleashed his inner Axl.

The singer, long focused

on an understated delivery, decided to let 'er rip for a few songs on the band's eponymous record.

"I remember making (Cycle Time) and trying to have it sound like a classic rock song . . . That vocal range is not necessarily what my voice wants to do, but it fits the song," he said. "That pitch is so high . . . but it's so connected to so much music I love, it feels like there's no other way to sing it."

Andrew remembers a sound engineer tut-tutting one take, when he tried to take the pitch even higher: "I really shrieked — and I was not hitting it, even though I thought I was," he said, laughing. That edit got deleted, but the recorded version retains his exuberance.

His vocal treatment represents a shift in the band's music — from a focus on concept-driven experimentation to writing quirky, dense pop songs that bring in traditional song elements like blues chords or Zeppelin vocals. "Each record is a reac-

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tion to what we spent the last year doing," said Andrew. "After we make a record all about drums, it feels very natural to then pick up instruments that make melodies . . . (and attempting) to tap into the already established language of music."

Rather than making cerebral, insular music, the Liars wanted to craft pop songs that connected with audiences without long explanatory titles. The result is a disc that pulls from identifiable influences, from GnR to the trip-hop inflected Sailing to Byzantium.

"We're trying and let our influences out more . . . It's nice to tell everyone we really love Guns N' Roses," said Andrew. "When I was a kid, I was definitely more into deeper sound-

ing vocals, and always thought it was a little emasculating hearing some dude ripping into staccato high notes. But for some reason, it was a very natural thing for me (to sing like that)."

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- 7 Crazy Bitch Buckcherry
- 8 Calabria 2007 Enur
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Duchovny developing rock comedy

MOVIES Husband-and-wife actor/producers David Duchovny and Tea Leoni will be making music with

CBS Films, which has acquired the comedy script *Born to Rock*.

Conceived and devel-

oped by Duchovny and Leoni's film production company, And Then Prods., the project revolves

around a group of struggling, aging rock musicians. Because of a mix-up in their demo tape, they

end up catching a record executive's attention for a children's song written on a lark.

Duchovny, who described the project as "rock 'n' roll meets the sip-

py-cup crowd," noted the relevance of mixing older musicians with youth-oriented music. "It speaks to a cultural phenomenon that is happening right now in music," he said. **REUTERS**

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Hanks to join Mad Men

Actor Colin Hanks, left, will be joining the cast of Mad Men for three episodes this season, beginning Sunday. He will play a young priest visiting the church that Peggy's family attends. **TVGUIDE.COM**

TV

Julia Child: Chef by day, spy by night?

SPIES LIKE US: It's not like it was ever really a secret – the factoid has been showing up in her biographies for years, and appeared in her New York Times obituary – but with the release of declassified U.S. government documents yesterday, it's official: Julia Child was a spy.

In addition to being one of the first ever celebrity TV chefs, Child was an operative for the Office of Strategic Services, the World War

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2-era predecessor to the CIA, a distinction she shares with Chicago White Sox pitcher Moe Berg, actor Sterling Hayden, the sons of

Theodore Roosevelt and Ernest Hemingway, historian Arthur Schlesinger Jr. and the father of the drummer in new wave superstars The Police, according to an Associated Press story.

More than 35,000 OSS documents have been declassified, shedding light on the agency's membership and history during the fight against Nazi Germany, and finally offering an explanation for why Child, who

died in 2004 and was a fixture on PBS for four decades, could noiselessly kill a full-grown man with a set of measuring spoons and build a car bomb with a mixture of rubbed thyme and smoked paprika.

NETWORK DEATH KNELL: Everyone knows that cable has been stealing lunch from the big broadcast networks for years now, but a story in Advertising Age this week

has the numbers in excruciating detail – the sorts of figures that should be causing some weeping and wailing in corner offices in Manhattan and Hollywood.

With their shift away from "acquired programming" – the licensed and syndicated shows, movies and reruns that still dominate programming on cable channels such as TCM, TV Land and Nick At Nite in the U.S., and TVtropolis, Showcase Diva and Action here in Canada – to original programming, leading cable channels have turned themselves into an army of HBOs

in the last few years, but it's only in the last year or two that they've invested in promoting their original fare, and it's paying off.

A study by the Cable Advertising Bureau revealed that the average amount of original programming grew from around 741 shows a week to 1,407 in the past five years, a leap that's reflected in double-digit growth in advertising revenue and a 10 per cent growth in ad sales during upturns.

Rick McGinnis writes about music, movies, books and television, but not opera.

FRIDAY

VA	Vu	Sc	C	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00
prime	251	308	3	CBC	(3:00) XXIX Summer Olympics (Live) (CC)	XXIX Summer Olympics (Live) (CC)	XXIX Summer Olympics (Live) (CC)	XXIX Summer Olympics (Live) (CC)	XXIX Summer Olympics (Live) (CC)	XXIX Summer Olympics (Live) (CC)	XXIX Summer Olympics (Live) (CC)	XXIX Summer Olympics (Live) (CC)
family	255	358	6	CH	E News	The Insider	Britney Spears Singer Britney Spears (CC)	Greek "Picking Teams" (N)	20/20 "Vanished: Coeds" (N)	News (N)	News (N)	News (N)
sports	250	321	6	CTV	TMZ (N) (CC)	Hollywood	Ghost Whisperer (CC)	Greek "Picking Teams" (N)	Without a Trace (CC)	News (N)	News (N)	News (N)
variety	252	336	6	GTV	Entertainment	ET Canada	Very Bad Men (CC)	NUMB3RS "Black Swan"	Swingtown (N) (CC)	News (N)	News (N)	News (N)
	256	389	6	VI	Degrassi	Friends (CC)	Jeff Ltd.	The Interrogation of Michael Crowe (2002) Ally Sheedy	Swingtown (N) (CC)	News (N)	News (N)	News (N)
	253	359	6	CITY	Wheel-Fortune	Jeopardy!	Reaper "What About Blob?"	Stargate SG-1 (CC) (DVS)	The Collector (CC) (DVS)	Reviews	Reviews	Reviews
	289	381	6	CBS	70s Show	70s Show	WWE Friday Night SmackDown! (N) (CC)	Seinfeld	Seinfeld	Frasier (CC)	Frasier (CC)	Frasier (CC)
	287	379	6	NBC	Entertainment	The Insider	Ghost Whisperer (CC)	NUMB3RS "Black Swan"	Swingtown (N) (CC)	News (N)	News (N)	News (N)
	288	380	6	ABC	Evening Mag.	Olympic Zone	XXIX Summer Olympics (Same-day Tape) (CC)	XXIX Summer Olympics (Same-day Tape) (CC)	XXIX Summer Olympics (Same-day Tape) (CC)	XXIX Summer Olympics (Same-day Tape) (CC)	XXIX Summer Olympics (Same-day Tape) (CC)	XXIX Summer Olympics (Same-day Tape) (CC)
	290	382	6	FOX	Wheel-Fortune	Jeopardy!	Legally Blonde ** (2001) Reese Witherspoon, Luke Wilson	20/20 "Vanished: Coeds" (N)	News (N)	News (N)	News (N)	News (N)
	502	390	6	NW	NFL Preseason Football	The Simpsons	Malcolm-Mid.	CBC News: The National	CBC News: The National	CBC News: The National	CBC News: The National	CBC News: The National
	500	500	6	CNN	CBC News: The National (N)	CBC News: The National (N)	CBC News: The National	CBC News: The National	CBC News: The National	CBC News: The National	CBC News: The National	CBC News: The National
	407	419	6	RSP	Anderson Cooper 360 (CC)	Anderson Cooper 360 (CC)	Anderson Cooper 360 (CC)	Anderson Cooper 360 (CC)	Anderson Cooper 360 (CC)	Anderson Cooper 360 (CC)	Anderson Cooper 360 (CC)	Anderson Cooper 360 (CC)
	400	400	6	TSN	Sportsnet Connected (Live)	World Combat League (CC)	World Combat League (CC)	World Combat League (CC)	World Combat League (CC)	World Combat League (CC)	World Combat League (CC)	World Combat League (CC)
	552	543	6	YTV	CFL Football	SportsCentre (Live) (CC)	SportsCentre (Live) (CC)	SportsCentre (Live) (CC)	SportsCentre (Live) (CC)	SportsCentre (Live) (CC)	SportsCentre (Live) (CC)	SportsCentre (Live) (CC)
	555	545	6	TEL	Dance, Sunset	Dance, Sunset	Hit List (CC)	The Next Star "Own a Song"	Falcon Beach "Starting Over"	Greenpeace	Greenpeace	Greenpeace
	268	354	6	KNO	George	Tom and Jerry 6teen	The Royal (CC)	Reba (CC)	Hope & Faith	Reception	Reception	Reception
	575	583	6	CMT	Emily of New Moon (N) (CC)	The Royal (CC)	Dedicated "Martina McBride"	CSI: Miami "Nothing to Lose"	CSI: Miami "Nothing to Lose"	The Cleaner	The Cleaner	The Cleaner
	515	520	6	A&E	Home Imp.	Roseanne	Criminal Minds (CC)	What Not to Wear "Heather"	Kenny-Spenny Kenny-Spenny	Webdreams	Webdreams	Webdreams
	521	560	6	TLC	The Cleaner "Rag Dolls"	Criminal Minds (CC)	What Not to Wear "Kelly"	Kenny-Spenny Kenny-Spenny	Webdreams	Webdreams	Webdreams	Webdreams
	516	522	6	SHO	Dress	Reception	Cold Squad "First Deadly Sin"	How Stella Got Her Groove Back ** (1998) (CC)	How Stella Got Her Groove Back ** (1998) (CC)	How Stella Got Her Groove Back ** (1998) (CC)	How Stella Got Her Groove Back ** (1998) (CC)	How Stella Got Her Groove Back ** (1998) (CC)
	294	650	6	TBS	ReGenesis "Unbearable"	Cold Squad "First Deadly Sin"	Sex and City "Sex and City"	Iron Chef America (CC)	Tasty Travels	Food Safari	Food Safari	Food Safari
	603	621	6	FN	(6:00) Men in Black ***	Sex and City "Sex and City"	Dinner	Iron Chef America (CC)	Tasty Travels	Food Safari	Food Safari	Food Safari
	320	621	6	CEN	Diner, Drive-In Road Tested	Dinner	Glutton	Iron Chef America (CC)	Tasty Travels	Food Safari	Food Safari	Food Safari
	561	566	6	MTV	(5:45) Stardust *** (2007)	Mr. Woodcock ** (2007) Premiere	Mr. Woodcock ** (2007) Premiere	Living	The Nines ** (2007) Ryan Reynolds (CC)	From G's to Gents (CC)	4REAL (CC)	4REAL (CC)

SATURDAY

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family	255	358	6	CH	E News	Mysteries	A Trick of the Mind (2006) Paul Johansson (CC) (DVS)	Inside Hollywood	Comedy Now	Comedy Inc.	News (N)	Guy Stuff
sports	250	321	6	CTV	W-FIVE-Canada	Andromeda (CC)	Large Winch (CC)	Andromeda (CC)	Comedy Now	Comedy Inc.	News (N)	News (N)
variety	252	336	6	GTV	Entertainment	ET Canada	Large Winch (CC)	Andromeda (CC)	Comedy Now	Comedy Inc.	News (N)	News (N)
	256	389	6	VI	New Canoe	Island Week	Kool Countdown (CC)	Law & Order: SVU	Eli Stone (CC)	At the Movies	At the Movies	At the Movies
	253	359	6	CITY	Stargate Atlantis	Island Week	Murdoch Mysteries (CC)	Ripper: Letter From Hell ** (2001, Horror) A.J. Cook, Bruce Payne (CC)	CSI: Miami "Death Pool 100"	Cold Case	Cold Case	Cold Case
	289	381	6	CBS	CSI: Miami "Going Under"	King	King	Frasier (CC)	Frasier (CC)	CSI: Miami "Death Pool 100"	Cold Case	Cold Case
	287	379	6	NBC	Entertainment Tonight (N)	The Unit "Bait" (CC)	48 Hours Mystery (N) (CC)	48 Hours Mystery (N) (CC)	48 Hours Mystery (N) (CC)	48 Hours Mystery (N) (CC)	48 Hours Mystery (N) (CC)	48 Hours Mystery (N) (CC)
	288	380	6	ABC	Olympic Zone	XXIX Summer Olympics (Live) (CC)	XXIX Summer Olympics (Live) (CC)	XXIX Summer Olympics (Live) (CC)	XXIX Summer Olympics (Live) (CC)	XXIX Summer Olympics (Live) (CC)	XXIX Summer Olympics (Live) (CC)	XXIX Summer Olympics (Live) (CC)
	290	382	6	FOX	Wheel-Fortune	Jeopardy!	Legally Blonde 2: Red, White & Blonde ** (2003) (CC)	Eli Stone (CC)	KOMO 4 News	KOMO 4 News	KOMO 4 News	KOMO 4 News
	502	390	6	NW	Two/Half Men	Two/Half Men	America's Most Wanted	News (N)	Scrubs (CC)	MADtv (CC)	MADtv (CC)	MADtv (CC)
	500	500	6	CNN	Doc Zone: Dubai	Sat. Report	Sat. Report	Doc Zone: Dubai	Doc Zone: Dubai	Doc Zone: Dubai	Doc Zone: Dubai	Doc Zone: Dubai
	407	419	6	RSP	Newsroom	Special Investigations	Special Investigations	Larry King Live	CNN Saturday Night	CNN Saturday Night	CNN Saturday Night	CNN Saturday Night
	552	543	6	YTV	Sportsnet Connected	Sportsnet Connected (Live) (CC)	Sportsnet Connected (Live) (CC)	The Ultimate Fighter	Sportsnet Connected (Live) (CC)	Sportsnet Connected (Live) (CC)	Sportsnet Connected (Live) (CC)	Sportsnet Connected (Live) (CC)
	555	545	6	TEL	TSN (3:30) XXIX Summer Olympics	SportsCentre (Live) (CC)	SportsCentre (Live) (CC)	Boxing Joshua Clottey vs. Zab Judah (CC)	SportsCentre (Live) (CC)	SportsCentre (Live) (CC)	SportsCentre (Live) (CC)	SportsCentre (Live) (CC)
	268	354	6	KNO	Storm Hawks	Dragon Ball Z	Anti-Gravity	Zatch Bell (N) (CC)	Storm Hawks	Storm Hawks	Storm Hawks	Storm Hawks
	575	583	6	CMT	Chop Socky	Chop Socky	Chop Socky	Chop Socky	Chop Socky	Chop Socky	Chop Socky	Chop Socky
	515	520	6	A&E	National Geographic Specials	Heartbeat (CC)	Midsummer Murders "Birds of Prey" (CC)	Reba (CC)	Hope & Faith	Hope & Faith	Hope & Faith	Hope & Faith
	521	560	6	TLC	Hope & Faith	Hope & Faith	Grand Ole Opry Live	The First 48 (CC)	Reba (CC)	Hope & Faith	Hope & Faith	Hope & Faith
	516	522	6	SHO	The First 48 (CC)	The First 48 (CC)	The Sopranos "Moe 'n' Joe"	The Real Estate Pros (CC)	Hope & Faith	Hope & Faith	Hope & Faith	Hope & Faith
	294	650	6	TBS	Holmes on Homes	Flip House	Hope-Home	The Real Estate Pros (CC)	Hope & Faith	Hope & Faith	Hope & Faith	Hope & Faith
	603	621	6	FN	(6:00) The Wrong Guy **	The Life and Hard Times of Guy Terrific ** (2005)	Kenny-Spenny Kenny-Spenny	Top Chef "Common Threads"	Top Chef "Common Threads"	Top Chef "Common Threads"	Top Chef "Common Threads"	Top Chef "Common Threads"
	320	621	6	CEN	The Man ** (2005) (PA) Samuel L. Jackson	(4:45) Underclassman ** (2005, Comedy) Nick Cannon (CC)	Top Chef "Common Threads"	The Marsh (2006) Gabrielle Anwar (CC)	The Marsh (2006) Gabrielle Anwar (CC)	The Marsh (2006) Gabrielle Anwar (CC)	The Marsh (2006) Gabrielle Anwar (CC)	The Marsh (2006) Gabrielle Anwar (CC)
	561	566	6	MTV	Ramsay's Kitchen Nightmares	Ramsay's Kitchen Nightmares	Iron Chef America (CC)	MTV Live	Second Half	Cribs (CC)	Cribs (CC)	Cribs (CC)

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family	255	358	6	CH	Stunt Stars (CC)	Extreme Makeover: Home Edition	The team rebuilds (CC)	The Soup	E News	News (N)	News (N)	News (N)
sports	250	321	6	CTV	Instant Star	Samantha	Two/Half Men	Million Dollar Password (CC)	Cold Case	News (N)	News (N)	News (N)
variety	252	336	6	GTV	renewed	King of Hill	Big Brother 10 (N) (CC)	Family Guy	American Dad	Family Guy	The Simpsons	News (N)
	256	389	6	VI	Funnies Home Videos	Desperate Housewives (CC)	Desperate Housewives (CC)	Sarah Connor Chronicles	Mad Men "Three Sundays"	IdeaCity	IdeaCity	IdeaCity
	253	359	6	CITY	Biography "Jason Priestley"	Biography "Hugh Grant"	The Pledge *** (2001, Drama)	The Pledge *** (2001, Drama)	Jack Nicholson, Robin Wright Penn.	Without Trace	Without Trace	Without Trace
	289	381	6	CBS	One Tree Hill (CC)	Hates Chris	Aliens	The Game	Girlfriends	Seinfeld	Seinfeld	Without Trace
	287	379	6	NBC	60 Minutes (CC)	Big Brother 10 (N) (CC)	Million Dollar Password (CC)	Million Dollar Password (CC)	Cold Case (CC)	Cold Case (CC)	Cold Case (CC)	Cold Case (CC)
	288	380	6	ABC	XXIX Summer Olympics (Same-day Tape) (CC)	XXIX Summer Olympics (Same-day Tape) (CC)	XXIX Summer Olympics (Same-day Tape) (CC)	XXIX Summer Olympics (Same-day Tape) (CC)	XXIX Summer Olympics (Same-day Tape) (CC)	XXIX Summer Olympics (Same-day Tape) (CC)	XXIX Summer Olympics (Same-day Tape) (CC)	XXIX Summer Olympics (Same-day Tape) (CC)
	290	382	6	FOX	Funniest Home Videos	Extreme Makeover: Home Edition	The team rebuilds (CC)	Desperate Housewives (CC)	KOMO 4 News	KOMO 4 News	KOMO 4 News	KOMO 4 News
	502	390	6	NW	"Til Death	The Simpsons	Family Guy	News (N)	Q It Up Sports	Law/Ord SVU	Law/Ord SVU	Law/Ord SVU
	500	500	6	CNN	Recipes for Disaster (CC)	Recipes for Disaster (CC)	Recipes for Disaster (CC)	Recipes for Disaster (CC)	Recipes for Disaster (CC)	Recipes for Disaster (CC)	Recipes for Disaster (CC)	Recipes for Disaster (CC)
	407	419	6	RSP	Newsroom	Special Investigations	Special Investigations	Larry King Live	CNN Saturday Night	CNN Saturday Night	CNN Saturday Night	CNN Saturday Night
	552	543	6	YTV	MLB Baseball: Teams TBA	Sportsnet Connected (Live)	Sportsnet Connected (Live) (CC)	The Ultimate Fighter	Sportsnet Connected (Live) (CC)	Sportsnet Connected (Live) (CC)	Sportsnet Connected (Live) (CC)	Sportsnet Connected (Live) (CC)
	555	545	6	TEL	TSN (3:00) XXIX Summer Olympics	SportsCentre (Live) (CC)	SportsCentre (Live) (CC)	NASCAR Racing	NASCAR Now (Live) (CC)	SportsCentre	SportsCentre	SportsCentre
	268	354	6	KNO	(6:00) Are We There Yet? ** (2005)	Uh Oh! (CC)	Uh Oh! (CC)	The Next Star "Own a Song"	Falcon Beach "Desperados"	Falcon Beach	Falcon Beach	Falcon Beach
	575	583	6	CMT	Total Drama	Fred's Head	Teen (CC)	Total Drama	Futurama	Chicken	Rick & Steve	Tripping-Rift
	515	520	6	A&E	National Geographic	Rosemary and Thyme (CC)	Blues Brothers 2000 ** (1998)	Dan Aykroyd, John Goodman, Joe Morton	Home Imp.	Home Imp.	Home Imp.	Home Imp.
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Regis to meet Your Mother

Television personality Regis Philbin will guest-star on *How I Met Your Mother* this fall. Philbin will play himself in an episode, scheduled to air Sept. 29, which concerns Marshall's search for the restaurant in which he had his first New York burger. TVGUIDE.COM

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TV

Metro's 7th Heaven: Metro taps what's hot now**1 Dexter: The Complete First Season**

This four-disc DVD set of Season 2 of *Dexter*, the dark TV series about a serial killer you can't help but side with, comes out on Tuesday. Michael C. Hall stars as Dexter Morgan, the forensics expert who leads a double life.

**2 Mamma Mia! Movie soundtrack**

The music of supergroup ABBA comes into the spotlight again, this time as the soundtrack to *Mamma Mia!*, the movie based on the musical. Take a chance on actors Meryl Streep and Pierce Brosnan singing SOS. Pure pop culture fun.

**3 Three Cups of Tea, by Greg Mortenson**

Eleven people died recently after an ice avalanche swept climbers away and left others stranded on K2, the world's second-highest mountain in Pakistan. Greg Mortenson also tried to climb the mountain, and lived to write about it. *Three Cups of Tea* recounts his experience on K2, and subsequent work that led to the creation of the Central Asia Institute, which has built more than 50 schools across rural Pakistan and Afghanistan.

**4 Who's Gonna Save My Soul, by Gnarl Barkley**

Girl-breaks-up-with-boy in the video for Gnarl Barkley's *Who's Gonna Save My Soul*. Anyone who's suffered heartache will relate to this clip, which features a heart on a plate that steals the show. The song itself, while more mellow than the group's previous hit, *Crazy*, is just as addictive.

5 Agyness Deyn

Fashion's current "It Girl," 25-year-old model Agyness Deyn, has been on the industry's radar for barely two years. It's her tomboyish and '80s-inspired style off the runways that has made her memorable.

**6 Olympic Cocktail**

Raise a glass to our Canadian athletes participating in the Games in Beijing, China, with the Olympic Cocktail, courtesy of barmandrinks.com: ¾ oz. of orange juice; ¼ oz. of Triple Sec; and ¼ oz. of brandy. Shake all ingredients with ice. Strain into a cocktail glass and ready, set, serve. Please remember to drink responsibly!

7 BBC Languages

If you've always wanted to learn a language, lessons are only a click away at bbc.co.uk/languages. BBC News' website will help you fine-tune your parlez-vous with audio, video, tests, games, dictionaries and more.

Transgender Model hopeful

One of the 14 girls who will compete on the new season of *America's Next Top Model* – which returns to The CW on Sept. 3 – is transgender, usmagazine.com reports.

"My cards were dealt differently," Isis, a 22-year-old former receptionist, tells *Us Weekly* exclusively in its new issue, on newsstands now.

Hailing from Prince George's County, Md., Isis identifies herself as "a woman born physically male."

Will she be a role model? "I like to help people, but I'm here to follow my



Tyra Banks is the brain behind *America's Next Top Model*.

dreams," she tells *Us*.

The inclusion of Isis is being hailed by GLAAD president Neil Giuliano as "an unprecedented opportunity for a community that is underrepresented

on television.

"We applaud Tyra Banks and The CW for making this historic visibility of transgender people possible," Giuliano said.

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Hills' Patridge lands sitcom role

TELEVISION The *Hills* star Audrina Patridge has landed a cameo role in the new sitcom *Do Not Disturb* alongside Jerry O'Connell and Niecy Nash. IMDb.com reports.

The reality TV star will feature in an episode of the upcoming Fox series, about staff at a luxury hotel, which is due to air later this year.

Patridge is excited to be able to put her acting skills to the test.

"(The show) takes place in New York City at a swanky hotel," she writes on her official website. "I will be playing a guest checking into the hotel and I am going to film my scenes sometime next week!"

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West Coast Weekend

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It was a glorious summer morning as Kim and I walked out on the Deep Cove government dock to meet Adam from Cove Watersports.

Kim and I were heading out to try Wake Surfing on their newest boat, a 210 Super Air Nautique, which was littered with wake boards and surfboards of every shape and size.

Cove Watersports has been operating its wakeboard school for five years and is now the largest wakeboard school in Western Canada.

Once in the water Adam handed me the 5'6" surfboard, which was flatter than a regular surfboard and it had a neoprene deck that allowed me to grip the surface without any straps. The rope was also a lot shorter than a wakeboard rope which means you are between 0-9 feet from the back of the boat.

On my third attempt I was up on the smooth glassy wave, cutting back



Kim Dues grins from ear to ear as she tears up the wave, wake surfing in Deep Cove with Cove Watersports. The best moment is when you find the sweet spot.

and forth. When you find the sweet spot you do not even need the rope. I instead choose to hang onto it as it allowed me to pull myself back into position when I got off the sweet spot.

The best part about wake surfing is that the

wipeouts are painless due to the slow speed of the boat. Summer is still here so check out Cove Watersports and head out with your friends, family and kids to enjoy an amazing day on the water. covewatersports.com.

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FRI./SAT. 8 P.M. American singer, songwriter and guitarist Boz Scaggs performs live. At River Rock Show Theatre, 8811 River Rd. Tix: \$64.50-74.50. Info: riverrock.com.

SAT. 7 P.M. Drummer and guitarist The Pack A.D. play live. At Richard's on Richards, 1036 Richards St. Tix: \$10. Info: richardsonrichards.com.

SAT. 8 P.M. Jamaican band Byron Lee and the Dragonaires play live. At Commodore Ballroom, 868 Granville St. Tix: \$45. Info: livenation.com.

SAT. 8 P.M. Taiwanese percussion band Ju Percussion Group performs live. At Chan Centre for the Performing Arts, 6265 Crescent Rd. Tix: \$23.25-43.25. Info: chancentre.com.

SAT./SUN. 8 P.M. Rock singers Pat Benatar & Neil Giraldo perform live. At River Rock Show Theatre, 8811 River Rd. Tix: \$54.50-64.50. Info: riverrock.com.

SUN. 7 P.M. Reggae superstar Glen Washington performs live. At Serbian Cultural Centre, 7837 Canada way. Tix: \$30. Info: serbiancc.com.

clubs

FRI 9 P.M. DJs Johanness Gerhard and Dani Savant spin progressive house. At Celebrities Night Club, 1022 Davie St. Tix: \$20. Info: celebritiesnightclub.com.

FRI. 9:30 P.M. DJs Relik, Remsta, Downlowe and Pluskratch perform sexy house, club, hip hop. At Plush Nightclub, 750 Pacific Blvd. Tix: \$12. Info: 604-669-8980.

FRI. 9:30 P.M. DJs Black Ace, Wax and MC Da Griff spin hip hop, R&B and reggae. At Fabric, 66 Water St. Tix: \$15-20. Info: fabricvancouver.com.

Garlic lovers

This weekend, head out to 100 Mile House for the South Cariboo Garlic Festival. Watch the Master Chef Garlic Cook-off, taste sundry garlic (and non-) treats, and enjoy live music, belly-dancing and more. Visit garlicfestival.ca for more info. **METRO NEWS SERVICES**

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Either way, I'm happy. All good things come in three's, as with the recent Italian openings avalanche. First, there was Trattoria IK and Cibo, both lovely, disparate visions of la dolce vita. Now comes La Quercia (Italian for "oak"), the king of ossobuco, sfornato and risotto. Fitting that its name refers to a tree often equated with royalty. It's a small bistro of little pretension, with repasts worthy of a Borgia.

On the web

- Read the full article online at metronews.ca/Vancouver/comment.
- Chew more on Anya's blog at metronews.typepad.com/urbanfoodie.

A lunch visit included a superb mafalda corta all'amatriciana (\$11), a dish of short, frilly noodles with pancetta and pork cheek in garlicky tomato sauce.

A panini Milanese (\$7) was a hearty schnitzel sandwich stuffed with cheese, tomato sauce and greens, and a side of sour cabbage, potatoes and peppers that made my cheeks suck in.

Dinner introduced eggplant sfornato (\$11), a firm mousse topped with grilled prawns. Tortellini in brodo (\$11) was a picture-perfect broth, heady and clear, with olive oil and parmigiano added table-side, and meaty



Pan-seared sablefish with grilled squid and raisins.

dumplings crowding each other. A brooding chocolate brunet (\$7) was an amaretto-cookie-mousse

delight. On second thought, I'd rather not die right now, at least not until I've had more dessert ...

Chianti: Getting Over Its Checkered Past

Chianti has gotten a bad rap in North America and it's most unfair. This Tuscan red is made with at least 80 per cent Sangiovese grapes, a varietal known for its strawberry and spice flavours when young, and its deep, tarry flavour when barrel-aged. The Renzo Masi 2004 Chianti Normale I had at La Quercia had a strong oaky mouth-feel. If going retail, try the biodynamic Querciabella Chianti Classico, (2004 only from restaurants), 2005 and 2006 at Kitsilano Wine Cellars and Everything Wine in North Vancouver, around \$48.



Dining out

AN OLYMPIC MEAL

From now until August 23, Sanafir Restaurant & Lounge (1026 Granville Street) is offering a "City of Beijing" 3-course meal for \$30. Enjoy barbecue duck mu shu wraps, steamed har gow shrimp dumplings, 5-spice flourless chocolate cake and more. Call 604-678-1049 for reservations.

AUGUST MENU

Restaurant Connor Butler (2145 Granville Street) is offering B.C. Steelhead, pan-seared yellowfin, filet mignon and the famous apple brulée with hibiscus reduction on their August prix fixe menu. It's \$35 for 3 courses with optional wine pairings at \$15. Call 604-734-2145 for reservations.

In brief

MEDINA CAFE, (556 Beatty St.), home of the fabulous liege waffles, is now open for breakfast, lunch and weekend brunch. Stay tuned for my review ...

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Actor Gael Garcia Bernal has confirmed he is to become a first-time father. Bernal has announced that his girlfriend, actress Dolores Fonzi, is pregnant. The baby is due early next year. **IMDB.COM**

Celebrity Buzz

Pam's new boyfriend may be royal

RELATIONSHIPS Pamela Anderson is reportedly dating a member of the Abu Dhabi royal family, female-first.co.uk reports.

The actress has only revealed her new beau's name to a few select friends, but refers to him in conversation by the pet name she made up for him — Milk-Sheik or Milk for short.

Anderson first met the royal when she visited Abu Dhabi in June with the Make a Wish Foundation. Shortly after her

trip, she announced she is joining forces with the royal family to build an eco-friendly hotel in the city.

Since then, Anderson's new love has reportedly visited her in Los Angeles. "He is very handsome and Pammie looked very happy," a source said.

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Mom defends Sienna

RELATIONSHIPS Sienna Miller's mother has defended the actress over her much criticized relationship with actor Balthazar Getty, imdb.com reports.

Miller and Getty, who last month announced his separation from wife Rosetta, have enjoyed a whirlwind romance which has attracted criticism from the media.

Miller's mother, Jo, is upset at the reaction.

"It's awful, I can't tell you. You wonder when it's all

going to stop," she says.

But Jo is pleased how some pals have jumped to her daughter's defence.

"Thank goodness some people are seeing the hypocrisy of it all," she says. "I know it makes Sienna pleased to read these things. It means a lot to her when there's so much negativity and criticism around."

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celebrity brief

Madonna not adopting again

RUMOUR A report that Madonna is adopting a three-year-old girl, Mercy James, from Malawi is not true, her rep tells Usmagazine.com.

"Madonna has not made an attempt to adopt this baby earlier this year or now," Liz Rosenberg said. "There is no truth to this rumour... Madonna is starting her tour in a week."

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"This makes no sense at all..."

by Joe O'Neill

Good on **Lindsay Lohan** for hitting back at those who speculate that her sister **Ali** has had breast implants.

She's proven that she's sober enough to navigate a computer and make an entry on her celebrity blog, and she only used 1,506 exclamation points this time.

Of course, defending her mother's parental instincts is a bit of a stretch. To avoid having to go into too many details, I've compiled a list of inanimate objects that have demonstrably superior parenting skills to those of **Dina Lohan**: a shephard's pie, fiberglass insulation, a beach umbrella, a tin ingot, and an electric fence.

Perhaps Lindsay is telling a kind of truth. Maybe her mother's lesson of "appreciating what we have been given" is a way to rationalize the creation of **Living Lohan**, a reality TV show whose sole purpose is to engender and promote the showbiz career Ali, and of course to draw the ire of **Anderson Cooper**. If fate gives you a car crash for a sister, make the most of it, especially if Mom says it's the right thing to do.

I could be wrong, but I bet Dina Lohan would let her daughter get piñata candy implants if she thought it would make her famous.

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celebrity brief

Angelina's not replacing Tom

RUMOUR Angelina Jolie is not a "replacement" for Tom Cruise in the upcoming spy thriller **Edwin A. Salt**, MSNBC reports.

According to a source close to the film, the studio did want Cruise in the lead role, but the actor passed.

"This story about Jolie taking over is completely false ... this started with an inaccurate report months ago that said (Cruise) was taking the role," says the source. "They courted him for almost a year for this movie. He considered it but passed."

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Implant talk irks Lindsay

RUMOUR Lindsay Lohan may be used to tabloid gossip about her own life. But she's fighting mad over recent rumours swirling around her 14-year-old sister Ali, People.com reports.

The 22-year-old actress took to her blog yesterday to slam online speculation that Ali may have undergone breast augmentation. In fact, Lindsay said she was confronted by a photographer who

yelled, "What do you have to say about people commenting on your sister's implants?"

"It made me feel a bit sick to my stomach," Lindsay wrote on her MySpace Celebrity Blog. "... My mother taught us to appreciate what we have been given," she wrote. "Nor would she ever encourage, or allow a 14-year-old child to alter her body." **METRO NEWS SERVICES**



celebrity brief

Ashley, boyfriend make a scene

RELATIONSHIPS Ashley Olsen and her boyfriend, actor Justin Bartha, hardly came up for air during a recent dinner in New York City, where they were holding hands and making out all through the meal,

PageSix.com reports.

"She was all over him," said a witness. "Ashley was very nice to everyone, but seemed more occupied with her boyfriend than anything else."

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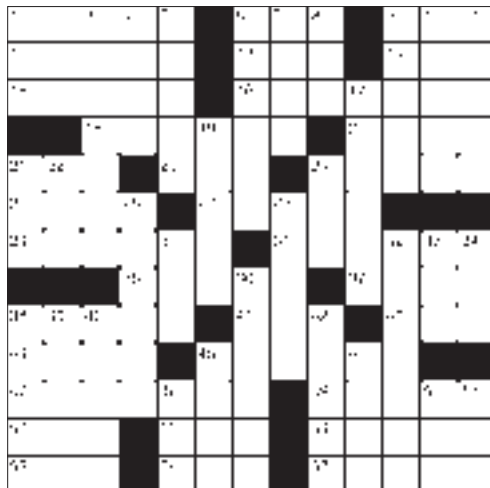
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Burton and Carter sell NY apartment

Filmmaker Tim Burton and actress Helena Bonham Carter have reportedly sold their two New York apartments for \$8.75 million US. The couple is reportedly on the move from their former home in the city's Greenwich Village area, imdb.com reports. **METRO NEWS SERVICES**

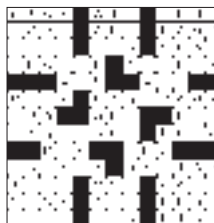
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previous day's answer**Horoscopes****AVATAR VENUS****ARIES**

MARCH 21-APRIL 20

A new job is more trouble than it's worth. A man will turn the other cheek. Pushing your ideas will lead to a spat.

TAURUS

APRIL 21-MAY 21

Guilt over hurtful behaviour won't go away. A friend has a complaint and needs your help. A dispute continues with no end in sight.

GEMINI

MAY 22-JUNE 21

A dire predicament will ease up. Have fun until someone tells you to stop. A friend makes a forceful statement about an imposition.

CANCER

JUNE 22-JULY 22

There's no time to handle every ironic twist of fate. Career matters remain up in the air. An unhappy event results in punitive action.

LEO

JULY 23-AUG 23

Optimism has a reason to grow. Try something unconventional. Maintain a strong sense of perspective.

VIRGO

AUG 24-SEPT 22

A co-worker promises much and delivers little. Appreciate the higher values in new connections. A problem can get out of hand.

LIBRA

SEPT 23-OCT 23

A temperamental tyrant needs to be rescued. Arrange immediate crisis intervention. Concentrate on using lucid advice.

SCORPIO

OCT 24-NOV 22

A father figure's health becomes a concern. A fastidious person takes responsibility for a project. You might get a treat.

SAGITTARIUS

NOV 23-DEC 21

Be gentle when someone falls flat on his face. Share your secrets about courage. Ask the right questions tonight.

CAPRICORN

DEC 22-JAN 20

A forbidden romance gives pure inspiration. A new rule triggers defense mechanisms. A visitor oozes charisma.

AQUARIUS

JAN 21-FEB 18

Shun those who challenge your motives. Discover fresh meaning in love. A crisis jostles your memory in the nick of time.

PISCES

FEB 19-MAR 20

A love affair intensifies when there's a sudden insight. A date mustn't be missed — it's too important. Hard work helps to conquer habits.

Sudoku

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6				3				5
		2				3		
7				8				6
		5			9	4	7	
8								
			1	7	2		5	3

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The digits 1 through 9 will appear exactly once in each row, each column, and each zone. (A zone is an outlined 3x3 grid within the larger puzzle grid. There are nine of these zones in the puzzle.) Do not enter a digit into a box if it already appears elsewhere in the same 3x3 zone, or in the same row across the puzzle, or column down the puzzle.

SUDOKU SOLVE TIME IN MINUTES:**previous day's answer**

8	2	9	6	1	4	3	5	7
4	5	7	8	9	3	1	2	6
3	6	1	2	7	5	4	9	8
1	3	8	7	5	2	6	4	9
6	9	5	3	4	8	7	1	2
2	7	4	1	6	9	8	3	5
7	4	2	5	3	6	9	8	1
5	1	3	9	8	7	2	6	4
9	8	6	4	2	1	5	7	3

Under 13..... Genius
 13-17..... Scholar

17-21..... Smart
 21-25..... Not bad
 25+..... Keep practising
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Vancouver weather**Afternoon**

Partly cloudy.
27°

Tonight

Partly cloudy.
Low 19°

Saturday

Sunny.
26° / 18°

Sunday

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24° / 14°

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40% Showers.
20° / 14°

Temperature Normals
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Records
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